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Examiner's Name: Laura A. Grier
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 Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

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 RCE (Request for Continued Examination) and RCE Transmittal
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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114		Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).	
<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____ iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Petition for Extension of Time (Three Months) 			
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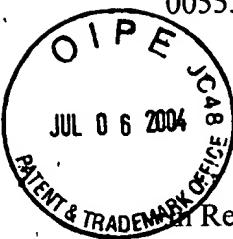
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed January 2, 2004, Applicant respectfully submits a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above referenced application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

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